

2026 DCHA Voucher Program **Multi-Unit** Utility Allowance Worksheet

You have a _____ bedroom voucher. The payment standard for this bedroom size is \$ _____.
 The payment standard is the rent and utility allowance added together. Circle the utilities that will be your responsibility on the chart below. You will have to ask the landlord what type of fuel is used for the heat, hot water, and stove. Be sure to also add the appropriate base charges listed at the bottom of the chart. You then total the circled figures to calculate the utility allowance for the unit. That figure is then added to the rent amount to see if the unit is within the payment standard.

If you stay within the payment standard you will pay 30% of your monthly-adjusted income minus the utility allowance for your share of the rent. Families with no income or very little income must stay within the payment standard. Families with higher incomes are allowed to go over the payment standard as long as their share does not exceed 40% of their monthly-adjusted income. Any figure over the payment standard is then added to their share of the rent.
 Remember, DCHA will not approve a request for a unit that will cost you more than 40% of your adjusted gross income.

NOTE:

If the # of bedrooms in the unit is **LARGER** than the voucher, use the **VOUCHER SIZE** to determine utility totals
 If the # of bedrooms in the unit is **SMALLER** than the voucher, use the **UNIT SIZE** to determine utility totals

Section 8 Voucher Payment Standards:

Efficiency \$1,268	1 Bdrm \$1,482	2 Bdrm \$1,694	3 Bdrm \$2,236
4 Bdrm \$2,509	5 Bdrm \$2,885	6 Bdrm \$3,262	

MULTI-UNIT (not duplex or townhouse) Effective 01/01/2026

Utility	Efficiency	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom	5/6 Bedroom
HEAT:						
Natural Gas	24	28	32	37	42	47
Oil	80	96	113	129	146	163
Electric	31	36	49	63	76	89
LP Gas	71	83	96	109	125	138
WATER HEAT:						
Natural Gas	6	7	10	13	16	19
Oil	20	23	33	43	56	66
Electric	17	20	25	31	36	42
LP Gas	18	20	29	38	47	56
COOKING:						
Natural Gas	2	2	4	5	7	7
Electric	6	7	11	14	17	21
LP Gas	7	7	11	16	20	22
ELECTRICITY:						
	24	28	39	50	61	71
AIR CONDITIONING:						
	4	4	6	8	9	11
WATER:						
	68	70	83	96	109	123
APPLIANCES						
Stove: (circle if tenant	11	11	11	11	11	11
Refrigerator: furnishes these)	12	12	12	12	12	12
BASE CHARGES: (Include a base charge if any of the above services use natural gas, electricity or both)						
Natural Gas	15	15	15	15	15	15
Electric	16	16	16	16	16	16

Total Utility Allowance

Requested Rent

Utility Total

Gross Rent

+ _____

= _____

2026 DCHA Voucher Program **Single Family House** Utility Allowance Worksheet

You have a _____ bedroom voucher. The payment standard for this bedroom size is \$ _____.
 The payment standard is the rent and utility allowance added together. Circle the utilities that will be your responsibility on the chart below. You will have to ask the landlord what type of fuel is used for the heat, hot water, and stove. Be sure to also add the appropriate base charges listed at the bottom of the chart. You then total the circled figures to calculate the utility allowance for the unit. That figure is then added to the rent amount to see if the unit is within the payment standard.

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 Remember, DCHA will not approve a request for a unit that will cost you more than 40% of your adjusted gross income.

NOTE:

If the # of bedrooms in the unit is **LARGER** than the voucher, use the **VOUCHER SIZE** to determine utility totals
 If the # of bedrooms in the unit is **SMALLER** than the voucher, use the **UNIT SIZE** to determine utility totals

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SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSES Effective 01/01/2026

Utility	Efficiency	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom	5/6 Bedroom
<u>HEAT:</u>						
Natural Gas	34	40	47	54	61	67
Oil	116	136	159	183	209	232
Electric	73	86	101	116	131	146
LP Gas	100	116	136	158	178	196
<u>WATER HEAT:</u>						
Natural Gas	7	8	12	17	20	24
Oil	27	30	43	56	70	83
Electric	21	25	32	39	46	53
LP Gas	22	25	36	49	58	71
<u>COOKING:</u>						
Natural Gas	2	2	4	5	7	7
Electric	6	7	11	14	17	21
LP Gas	7	7	11	16	20	22
<u>ELECTRICITY:</u>						
	35	41	57	73	89	105
<u>AIR CONDITIONING:</u>						
	3	3	8	12	16	20
<u>WATER:</u>						
	68	70	83	96	109	123
<u>APPLIANCES</u>						
Stove: (circle if tenant	11	11	11	11	11	11
Refrigerator: furnishes these)	12	12	12	12	12	12
<u>BASE CHARGES:</u> (Include a base charge if any of the above services use natural gas, electricity or both)						
Natural Gas	15	15	15	15	15	15
Electric	16	16	16	16	16	16

Total Utility
 Allowance

Requested Rent

Utility Total

Gross Rent

+ _____

= _____

2026 DCHA Voucher Program Duplex / Townhouse Utility Allowance Worksheet

You have a _____ bedroom voucher. The payment standard for this bedroom size is \$_____.

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NOTE:

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If the # of bedrooms in the unit is **SMALLER** than the voucher, use the **UNIT SIZE** to determine utility totals

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DUPLEX / TOWNHOUSE Effective 01/01/2026

Utility	Efficiency	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom	5/6 Bedroom
<u>HEAT:</u>						
Natural Gas	30	35	41	47	52	58
Oil	103	120	139	159	179	199
Electric	44	52	68	85	101	118
LP Gas	87	103	118	136	154	169
<u>WATER HEAT:</u>						
Natural Gas	7	8	12	17	20	24
Oil	27	30	43	56	70	83
Electric	21	25	32	39	46	53
LP Gas	22	25	36	49	58	71
<u>COOKING:</u>						
Natural Gas	2	2	4	5	7	7
Electric	6	7	11	14	17	21
LP Gas	7	7	11	16	20	22
<u>ELECTRICITY:</u>						
	30	35	49	63	76	90
<u>AIR CONDITIONING:</u>						
	4	4	7	10	13	16
<u>WATER:</u>						
	68	70	83	96	109	123
<u>APPLIANCES</u>						
Stove: (circle if tenant	11	11	11	11	11	11
Refrigerator: furnishes these)	12	12	12	12	12	12
<u>BASE CHARGES:</u> (Include a base charge if any of the above services use natural gas, electricity or both)						
Natural Gas	15	15	15	15	15	15
Electric	16	16	16	16	16	16

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Allowance**

Requested Rent

Utility Total

Gross Rent

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